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C O N F I D E N T I A L STUTTGART 0340

FOR WLG AND POL- MIL ADVISORS AF AND NEA
FROM ELG CHAIRMAN RUCHTI

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AEMR

SUBJ: FOREIGN SERVICE POST' S PARTICIPATION IN COMIDEASTFOR
NOCOMBATANT EVACUATION EXERCISES FOR PORT LIAISON
OFFICERS.

1. COMIDEASTFOR HAS RECOMMENDED FSO PORT LIAISON
OFFICERS IN HIS AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY BE AUTHORIZED AND
ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN CPX EXERCISES, USING ACTUAL
PORT CALLS AS OCCASION, FOR SIMULATED EVACUATION OF NON-
COMBATANTS. BASIC COMIDEASTFOR MESSAGE 010945 Z MAY 73 BEING
REPEATED TO DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE FULL DETAILS.

2. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS, COMIDEASTFOR IS SUBORDINATE
COMMANDER OF CINCUSNAVEUR, WHO IS REPRESENTED ON
EUROPEAN LIAISON GROUP. BUT COMIDEASTFOR AREA OF
OPERATIONS IN INDIAN OCEAN IS, IN LARGE PART, OUTSIDE AREA OF
RESPONSIBILITY OF ELG.

3. NEVERTHELESS, AS CHAIRMAN ELG, I SUPPORT COMIDEASTFOR
OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING TRAINING OF PORT LIAISON OFFICERS AND
COMBINING TRAINING WITH ACTUAL PORT CALLS IN A WAY THAT HAS
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LITTLE APPARENT RISK OF RAISING POTENTIALLY DIFFICULT QUESTIONS
WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS: THAT DEPARTMENT CONCUR IN PRINCIPLE
WITH COMIDEASTFOR PROPOSAL AND THAT DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZE
FSO PORT LIAISON OFFICERS AT PORTS CITED IN BASIC MESSAGE TO
COOPERATE WITH COMIDEASTFOR IN WORKING OUT COMMAND POST
EXERCISE SCENARIOS TO EXTENT POSSIBLE, GIVEN USUALLY HEAVY
WORKLOADS FOR SMALL FOREIGN SERVICE STAFFS IN INDIAN OCEAN
PORTS. RUCHTI

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